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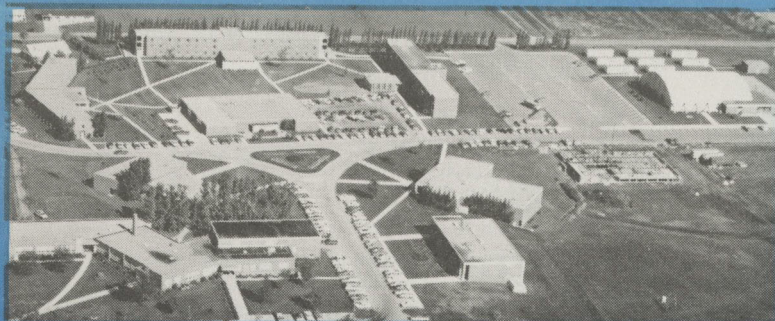
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## INTRODUCING NEW FACULTY PERSONNEL

### FOUR MORE ACCEPT POSITIONS

Mr. Arnold H. Veldkamp and Mr. Gerald A. Hoekema have both accepted positions on the Dordt College teaching staff in the Mathematics Department. Both are well-qualified for the positions they have accepted and should add a new touch and flavor to the mathematics courses.



Mr. Arnie Veldkamp

Mr. Veldkamp received a Bachelor of Arts Degree from Calvin College in 1958 with a major in math and minors in history and psychology, a Master of Education Degree in Mathematics from Western Washington State College, Bellingham, Washington, in 1963, and a Master of Arts Degree in Mathematics from the University of Illinois, Champaign, Illinois, in 1965. He is presently at Western Michigan University, Kalamazoo, Michigan, working toward a Ph.D. in mathematics which he hopes to complete during the summer of 1972. From 1958 to 1964 Mr. Veldkamp taught Junior High mathematics and social studies at Lynden Christian School in Lynden, Washing-

ton, and from 1965 to 1968 taught mathematics at Calvin College.

Mr. Veldkamp was born in Grand Rapids, Michigan, and attended elementary and secondary schools there. His father was, at one time, a resident of Rock Valley, Iowa. Mr. Veldkamp is married to the former Helen Vander Mey of Lynden, Washington, and they have five children, Arnold, 12, Dean, 10, Brent, 9, Connie, 7, and Chris, 4.



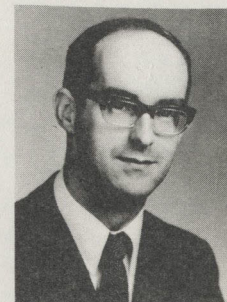
Mr. Gerald Hoekema

Mr. Hoekema received a Bachelor of Science Degree in Mathematics with a minor in physics, philosophy, and psychology from Calvin College in 1967, and a Master of Science Degree in Mathematics from Purdue in 1969. He is presently teaching mathematics at Montreat-Anderson College, Montreat, North Carolina and has had teaching experience in College Preparatory Summer Institutes, National Teaching Fellowships and as a graduate teaching assistant.

Mr. Hoekema is a native of Detroit, Michigan and received his elementary and secondary education in that area. He is married to the former

Janice Volkers from Holland, Michigan.

Both men are very competent mathematicians dedicated to their work. Their addition to the Dordt College teaching staff will contribute significantly to the development of an academically sound Christian education in the area of mathematics.



Dr. W. Van Dijk

Dr. Wytse van Dijk, a physicist who recently completed postdoctoral work at Oxford University in England, will join Dordt's physics staff next fall. Van Dijk comes to Dordt extremely well qualified. He was granted a Ph. D. in theoretical physics at McMaster University in 1968, and was a postdoctoral fellow in the Department of Theoretical Physics of Oxford from 1968 to 1970. During the current school year he is teaching physics at Mount Allison University in New Brunswick. Van Dijk also did his undergraduate work at McMaster University, receiving a B.Sc. with a major in applied mathematics and theoretical physics in 1964.

Van Dijk was born in Oudewater, Netherlands, but when he was a boy his family moved to Canada. His father, now a minister of the Christian Reformed Church in Canada, once served churches in the Netherlands. Van Dijk is married and has two small children.

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## FROM THE PRESIDENT'S PEN...

As a College President I receive a significant amount of correspondence from the constituents. This is understandable and, I may add, sincerely appreciated. Dordt College is a college of the people. We want to hear from them. We listen to their comments and take them seriously.

One thing, that is most encouraging in practically all the letters received, is an evidence of genuine love for and trust in Dordt College. It is amazing how many people from all parts of the denomination are urging Dordt to stand fast in the faith of our fathers. For example, in a letter from California a brother writes, "Something we would ask you, if there are any teachers or professors who are not sound in the Reformed Doctrine or in conduct in life, would you maintain them on the campus?" This brother would like an answer. The answer is that Dordt would not maintain such a one on campus. In fact, there is no one presently teaching at Dordt College who is not Reformed in doctrine and life.

It ought to be understood, however, that there are some among the constituents who make excessive demands upon the Dordt teachers beyond what our Reformed Confessions require. This can soon become unreasonable and even dangerous. It often becomes a threat to the high calling and unique responsibility of Christian higher education. I have had experience with this. When some of our constituency, including a few educators, demand more of professors than what the instituted church requires, we are courting serious trouble. This is especially true when men make essential to the Reformed Faith that which is only incidental to it, and when they place undue stress upon certain aspects of the Reformed Faith but are blind to other equally basic principles of that Faith.

It is my prayer and constant aim to have at Dordt College a well balanced and full-orbed Christian Calvinistic thought and action program. Jesus Christ must be seen as Lord and Redeemer of all of life. Those who truly take seriously this goal and purpose in Christian higher education can be grateful for Dordt College. Others will stumble over the incidentals, major in the minors, and run the risk of denying that which is fundamental to a Christian Calvinistic college.

Rev. B. J. Haan

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Van Dijk has carried out research concerning interactions within the atomic nucleus. Relatively little concerning the nucleus is known. Van Dijk's research has resulted in several publications.

Van Dijk has expressed a deep interest in Christian education. Dordt is thankful that one who has his commitment and qualifications has been added to its staff. His assignment will include some of the more theoretical physics courses and possibly a course in mathematics.



Miss Carol Addink

Miss Carol Addink has accepted a one year appointment to teach German and English at Dordt beginning Sept. 1, 1971. Miss Addink is no stranger to the community since she is a native of northwestern Iowa, having been born near Orange City. She attended the Orange City Christian School, Western Christian High and Dordt College. She graduated from Dordt in May of 1970 with an English major and a double minor in Speech and German. In addition to the experience she gained in practice teaching, she taught at Illiana Christian High at Lansing, Illinois. She will teach freshman English and freshman German at Dordt next year.

## DORDT RECEIVES \$5000 ENVIRONMENTAL STUDIES GRANT

Dordt has received a \$5000 Environmental Studies Grant from the W. K. Kellogg Foundation of Battle Creek, Michigan.

The grant funds are to be used over a three year period for the purchase of instructional resources for the Library which will lead to better teach-

ing and better understanding of all facets of environmental problems.

The grant to Dordt is one of 300 similar grants being made to small, private colleges throughout the United States. Being selected for this grant is a note worthy honor for Dordt, and is an indication of Dordt's excellent reputation as an academic institution.

The materials will be selected by a broadly representative committee of faculty and students. Faculty members on the committee are: F. Calsbeek, Associate Professor of Physical Education; H. De Groot, Associate Professor of Business Administration and Economics; H. Hollaar, Head Librarian; L. Van Dyke, Associate Professor of History; J. Vander Stelt, Assistant Professor of Philosophy; J. Veltkamp, Associate Professor of Education; and D. Westra, Associate Professor of Biology. Student representatives on the selection committee are: John De Bree, Cowichan Station, B.C.; Gert De Kam, Worthington, Minn.; Karen Hofman, Oakfield, Wisc.; Glenda Kragt, Rock Valley, Iowa; Marvin Rietema, Kanawha, Iowa; Marvin Rozendaal, Lynnvile, Iowa; and Roger Vos, New Sharon, Iowa.

## *In Sympathy*

The Board of Dordt College and the Administration expresses their heartfelt sympathy to a fellow Board of Trustee member, Mr. Andrew Docter in the death of his loving wife

Mrs. Andrew Docter on March 12, 1971. May the Lord with His comforting grace continue to sustain Mr. Docter and his family.

## *In Memory*

Dordt College has received several memorial gifts in memory of departed loved ones:

From the Vander Spoel family in memory of

Mr. Lane De Stigter

From Mrs. Case Kuik and family in memory of their beloved husband and father.

Mr. Case Kuik

From the Bleeker family in memory of:

Mrs. Minnie Bleeker

May the Lord continue to comfort and sustain the sorrowing families with His grace, and may these gifts of love be used to the praise of our Saviour.



## 1971 Commencement

### Speaker



Dr. Joel Nederhood

The 1971 Dordt College Commencement will be held this year on Friday, May 28, at 10 A.M. in the Gymnasium Auditorium.

The guest speaker for the occasion will be the Rev. Dr. Joel Nederhood, whose radio ministry on the "Back to God Hour" and "Radio Today" under the auspices of the Christian Reformed Church has made him well known to audiences on several continents.

Approximately 150 seniors are expected to graduate this year. All parents and friends of the College are invited to attend. The occasion promises not only to be a joyous one, but also a time for reflection upon and response to the dynamic, Biblically oriented message which Dr. Nederhood will bring. Plan now, if possible, to be present.

## VANDER PLAATS



### OFFERED

### FELLOWSHIP

Mr. Bob Vander Plaats, a Dordt senior majoring in philosophy, has been named as one of the top 1,000 men in the nation by the Woodrow Wilson Fellowship Foundation. Last fall Bob was nominated by a professor to participate in competition for Woodrow Wilson Fellowships. As a result, he had to write a 1,000 word essay on intellectual development and interests plus submit three letters of recommendation. On this basis, competition was limited from all applicants to 10,000, who received personal interviews. Of the 10,000 semi-finalists Bob was named among the 1,000 finalists accepted by

the Foundation for Fellowships. Because of lack of funds, the Foundation could award only 300 Fellowships; as a consolation, the names of the other 700 finalists were sent to all graduate schools in the U.S. and Canada. Bob has received letters offering fellowships for graduate study from several institutions such as Michigan State, University of Tennessee, Boston College, New York School of Criminal Justice, and Marquette University.

In the letter from the Woodrow Wilson National Fellowship Foundation informing the College President of the selection of Mr. Vander Plaats, it states: "This year for the first time Dordt College has a student among the top 1000 in the Woodrow Wilson competition. I hope he will be the first among many. . . Robert Vander Plaats is a student of whom you may be proud"

## DEBT REDUCTION DRIVE REACHES \$31,000 MARK

We are very pleased to report that the Dordt College Debt Reduction drive has reached the \$31,000 mark as of April 12. This is most encouraging since about 30% of the participating churches must still submit their drive results. It is expected that the total will reach close to \$40,000 when everyone has reported.

The Debt Reduction appeal was broadened for this particular drive to include many other churches from outside our local six-classis area. This will be a key factor in pushing the final campaign total well over the \$29,800 raised last year. It should be noted, however, that a substantial increase in funds is sorely needed as we are faced with the added financial burden of the Classroom Building expenditure.

The campaign will remain open for some time yet as results come in from the various churches. Therefore, if you have forgotten to submit your gift, we would urge you to still do so, being sure to mark it for "Debt Reduction."

To those who have already given to the drive, we offer our heartfelt thanks. Without this support Dordt would be unable to provide the needed facilities for its program of Christian higher education. It is our prayer that we may be good stewards and faithful servants in the use of these funds.

## Board of Trustees Membership

At the annual meeting of the Voting Members in March elections were held to fill the vacancies on the Board of Trustees. The newly elected members are Rev. P. Brouwer, pastor of the First Christian Reformed Church of Edgerton, Minn.; Mr. Wm. Geels, Sheldon, Iowa; Mr. Ted Van Bruggen, Sioux Center, Iowa, and Mr. Louis Van Wyk, Pella, Iowa. Rev. Brouwer replaces the Rev. E. Visser, pastor of the Bethel Christian Reformed Church of Edgerton, Minn.; Mr. Geels replaces Mr. Tony Vanden Hoek whose term expired; Mr. Van Bruggen replaces Mr. Henry Blankespoor whose term also expired, and Mr. Louis Van Wyk was elected to replace Mr. James Huyser, who passed away while in office.

At the meeting of the Board of Trustees in March the following officers were elected:

Chairman: Rev. Willard DeVries  
Hull, Iowa

Vice-Chairman:

Dr. A. Boeve  
Sheldon, Iowa

Secretary: Rev. G. Vanden Berg  
Hospers, Iowa

Treasurer: Mr. Neal Boersma  
Inwood, Iowa

General Adjunct:

Mr. Andrew Docter  
Orange City, Iowa

Other members of the Board of Trustees are:

Mr. Henry Christians-Edgerton, Minn.  
Mr. Ted De Jong-Ireton, Ia.  
Mr. Albert Cooper-Kanawha, Ia.  
Rev. Henry Baak-Woden, Ia.  
Rev. Paul Bakker-Sully, Ia.  
Mr. William Geels-Sheldon, Ia.  
Rev. Peter Brouwer-Edgerton, Minn.  
Rev. Ronald Slater-Pease, Minn.  
Mr. Ted Van Bruggen-Sioux Center, Ia.  
Mr. Louis Van Wyk-Pella, Ia.  
Rev. Clarence Van Essen-Platte, S.D.  
Mr. Lambert Vanden Einde-Renville, Minn.

Advisory Members:

Rev. John Hoeksema-Racine, Wisc.  
Rev. Henry Petersen-Sumas, Wash.  
Rev. Jack Vander Laan-Denver, Colo.

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Rev. B. J. Haan, Dr. D. Ribbens, Mr. Neal Boersma, Mr. Ted Van Bruggen, Rev. W. De Vries, Mr. A. Docter, Dr. A. J. Boeve, Rev. G. W. Van

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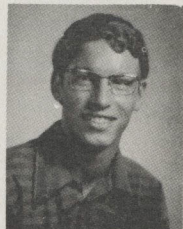


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Den Berg, Mr. Ted De Jong.  
Academic Affairs Committee:  
Rev. B. J. Haan, Dr. D. Ribbens, Mr.  
Ted Van Bruggen, Rev. W. De Vries,  
Mr. A. Docter, Dr. A. J. Boeve,  
Mr. Ted De Jong, Rev. G. W. Van  
Den Berg.

Buildings and Finance Committee:  
Rev. B. J. Haan, Mr. Neal Boersma,  
Mr. William Geels, Mr. A. Docter,  
Mr. T. De Jong, Mr. Ted Van Bruggen

## ANNUAL FINE ARTS



### FESTIVAL

Dave De Groot  
Chairman of Fine  
Arts Committee

The annual Dordt College Fine Arts Festival will be held April 26 through May 5. On each day an aspect of "Art to the Glory of God" will be considered.

A brief program of festival highlights are as follows:

Monday, April 26: play, "Little Foxes," under the guidance of James Koldenhoven and the Dordt Thallians.

Thursday, April 29: "Meet the Composer Night," featuring Dr. Marshall Barnes, a composer from Ohio State University. Original compositions will be preformed.

Friday, April 30: the "Spring Artburst," a special day of activities for high school students. Everyone is invited to the evening program -- music students from five Christian high schools in a three-state area will present a music concert.

Saturday, May 1: special presentation by Gilbert Amelio, an accomplished sculptor and architect from the Air Force Academy.

Wednesday, May 5: "Suffer the Little Children," an original play by Bill de Jager, a Dordt junior. The play (described as "an experiment in Christian realism") will be presented by a cast of six in the little gym theater.

Friends and alumni will be cordially welcomed to the Fine Arts Festival events. For a complete schedule, contact David De Groot, 782 4th Avenue N.E., Sioux Center, Iowa 51250.

## Miss Ringerwole Conducts

### Organ Workshop

On March 19 Miss Joan Ringerwole, organ instructor of Dordt College conducted an organ workshop in Platte, South Dakota. Sixty area organists heard lectures on Hymn Playing and The Art of Registration; and they had opportunity for questions during discussion following the lectures.

## Major Events

### During May

April 26 - May 5 - Fine Arts Week

May 1 - Track Meet at Sioux Falls

May 6 - Track Meet at LeMars

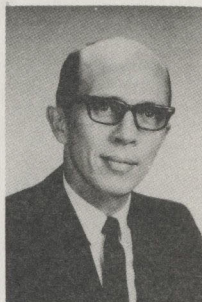
May 7 - Junior Senior Banquet

May 8 - Walkathon for Philadelphia Christian School

May 12 - Sioux Center Area Symphony 8:00 Big Gym

May 14 - Freshman Sophomore Banquet Big Gym

May 28 - Commencement 10:00 A.M.



Rev. J. B. Hulst

## Rev. J. B. Hulst Appointed Dean of Students, to direct Non-Academic Student Life

At its March meeting the Board of Trustees appointed Rev. J. B. Hulst as full-time Dean of Students. For the past three years Rev. Hulst has been College Pastor and teacher of freshman Bible. Up to this time the positions of College Pastor and Dean of Students were carried out on a part time basis.

In reviewing these offices and their interrelatedness, the Board of Trustees became convinced that the responsibilities of these two offices would be more effectively carried out under the leadership of one person. It had become obvious that one cannot draw a

sharp line between the student's spiritual, social and behavioral life. The dichotomy which resulted from a separation of the two offices caused a weakening and a confusion of both. For example, much of the limited time allotted to the College Pastor for counselling students with specifically spiritual problems was taken up by dealing with matters which by definition fell within the domain of the Dean of Students. This serves to illustrate that one cannot drive a wedge between the spiritual and the non-spiritual when dealing with student life. The Board also recognized that to combine the offices of the College Pastor and the Dean of Students, especially in view of the overlapping which occurred, would meet the demands of judicious stewardship of money, time, and talent.

The Board of Trustees is presently interviewing candidates for the Theology (Bible) Department to fill the vacancies created by the new appointment of Rev. Hulst and the departure of Dr. Kistemaker, who will be teaching New Testament in the Reformed Theological Seminary at Jackson, Mississippi. It can be announced that a very qualified prospect, Dr. G. Van Groningen, has been appointed. Dr. Van Groningen has been serving, for the past ten years, as head of the Old Testament Department of the Geelong Seminary in Australia. Rev. Richard Hodgson, teacher of astronomy, who served as part time Dean of Students during the past year, will be assisting Rev. Hulst in the area of housing.

## In Memoriam

On April 5, 1971, Miss Elizabeth Verbrugge passed away. Miss Verbrugge was an employee of Dordt College as bookkeeper in the Business Office. She served in this capacity for the past nine years. The Board of Trustees, administration, faculty, students and office personnel mourn her passing and express gratitude to the Lord for her dedicated service to Dordt College.

May the Lord grant His sustaining and comforting grace to those loved ones who mourn her loss.

